

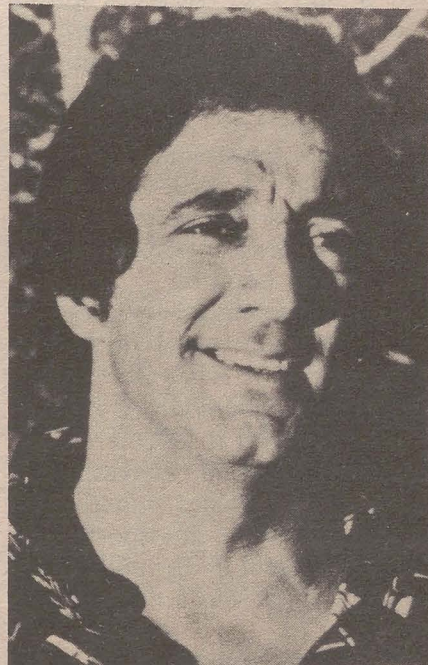
## Pioneer decoy cop, Toma, to speak at NRC

David Toma, perhaps the most extraordinary policeman of his time, is the next on-campus speaker, appearing April 16, at 7:30 p.m., in room 150, NRC.

A man with thousands of arrests and a ninety-eight percent conviction record, Toma works mostly on the street, where he pioneered the role of the decoy cop.

He has the unique distinction of having his own television series, *Toma*, named after him, a network series in which Toma himself acts. Though he has been injured and hospitalized more than 30 times from beatings and stab wounds, he has never fired his gun in the 17 years on the force.

In the thousands of talks he has given across the country he has stressed that violence is unnecessary.



"...a very unusual cop with a passion for people- he becomes involved..."

## Group damage policy challenged

MADISON, Wis. (On Campus Report)—The Rutgers-New Brunswick chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union is on the verge of filing suit against Rutgers U. over a housing policy which requires all residents of a damaged dorm to share equally the cost of repairs if the person responsible cannot be determined.

Bob Nasdor, student ACLU director, says the only way the suit won't be filed is if the university changes its policy and refunds students' money.

Nasdor says the policy violates the due process and equal protection clauses of the 14th Amendment. Although there is an appeals process, Nasdor says the university's "presumption of guilt" runs totally against the Constitutional grain.

Housing director Charles Waldie says the general policy has never been fully stated and, in the housing contract, is defined as "responsibility for damage to university property."

Damage resulting from careless, mischievous or malicious acts is the type paid for by the students, Waldie says. "We have to assume the residents are responsible for their guests and for locking their doors at night."

Waldie says for non-payment the university can block registration or hold transcripts. One student who refused to pay \$5.10 and was not allowed to register complained to the ACLU and, Nasdor says, "helped our case a lot."

## P.E. Requirement is Confusing

By Rick Sterling

A certain amount of confusion has arisen from the current academic schedule of courses offered here at Alpena Community College. In particular, this confusion pertains to the amount of credit one may obtain by participating in a physical education or health education course.

At the onset of classes last fall, the administration changed a number of the one credit P.E. classes to two hours. This in turn doubled the cost.

This, however, was not what was causing the confusion. Because it is a graduation requirement that a person take two P.E. classes, the confusion most students had was whether they could meet this requirement by taking only one two-credit hours or whether they must take two courses.

In reference to the school's catalog, this question is answered. In order for a person to graduate from ACC, he or she must participate in two courses not paying attention to the amount of credit they will earn.

Why the change and all this confusion? In talking to Athletic Director Dick Miles, it was brought out that the change was made in order to be fair to the students. He stated that the change in credit resulted from the increase in the amount of time the student spends

One of his lectures is on narcotics. He believes that the drug addict can be rehabilitated with love and understanding and that the addict must have hope.

Toma is a very unusual cop with a passion for people — he becomes involved with the downtrodden, the exploited, the victims of crime. One of the street people himself, Toma sees the top mobsters as his adversaries. He wages his own remarkably personal war against them in the toughest city in America — Newark, New Jersey.

In a cynical era, Detective Toma believes in innate human goodness and strives for what is heroic in man.

Students and faculty are admitted to the program free. The general public ticket prices are: adults, \$2; non-ACC students, \$1 and families, \$5.

in class. Evidently, it was felt that more time should be spent in class for the P.E. courses. So, when the time spent was increased, it was only fair for the amount of credit to be increased as well.

## Elderhostel experience is positive

Started six years ago in New England and now found in 40 states, Elderhostel, a summer school for persons over 60 years of age, has reached Michigan.

The first appearance in Michigan of this unique program which combines a worry-free vacation with a mini education, was at Western University in Kalamazoo last summer.

This year, the program will be expanded to six additional campus sites in Michigan. They are Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills, Oakland University in Rochester, Alma, WMU, Ferris State in Big Rapids and Lake Superior State College in Sault Ste. Marie.

Hostelers spend an intensive week on campus taking at least three courses from the best faculty that schools can muster. But, the neavy academics are broken up by songfests, folk dancing and group travel.

During the 13-week long hosteler period, the seniors share rooms in dormitories and eat in cafeterias. The price, including classes, meals and lodging is kept at \$115 a week. Scholarships are available.

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## Interchange ideas between the generations

By Cathy Mason

"I think it's a great idea to get retired people together with students," said Henry Valli at a meeting between the ACC Student Senate and some local members of the American Association for Retired Persons.

The two groups met May 27 at NRC, Room 450 to determine whether there is interest in the community for a Generations Alliance Program, known as GAP.

Apparently there is. Noel Skiba, freshman representative for the Student Senate commented, "I think it's great. I didn't know what to expect...I'm really impressed". Also, there is a meeting planned for April 24 to plan a low-profile GAP program during the summer with a full-scale program beginning next fall.

Objectives of GAP include an interchange of ideas between the generations and community involvement—politically and socially. Chairperson for Community Services of the AARP, Rosella Neumann, states the goals this way, "How can we help each other? And how can we help America?"

A great deal of concern for young people was shown by the Senior Citizens. Chairperson Neumann ended the meeting on a warm note saying, "We love you...We'd love to get together with you."

## ★ Millage Highlights

By Campus Update Staff

In studying the April 10 school millage election, CU reporters collected information from several knowledgeable sources which they feel will add dimension to the readers understanding of the election.

The value of the average home in the Alpena-Presque Isle area, as stated by Donald Bartosh, CLU, of the Top O'Michigan Insurance Agency runs about \$40,000 to 45,000, however, there are more houses in the \$20,000 to \$30,000 range than there are in the \$50,000 and over price range. In the last two-three years, real estate values have gone up about 15%. Real estate value down south is considerably higher — about \$10,000 more per home.

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## editorials

### Make Spring Fling a Family Thing

A fling is a short period of unrestrained indulgence of one's impulses, according to the dictionary. ACC students planning and observing the annual Spring Fling try to keep this in mind. Not only is it a rite to celebrate the warm weather and escape the confines of the classroom to indulge in outdoor games and foolishness with friends, it also marks the start of the pre-exam period. A pleasant way to make the transition.

Unfortunately, having a Spring Fling takes more than giving in to impulses. It takes money, planning, workers and plentiful and appreciative guests. A lack in any of these creates problems—all very real problems but not without solutions. The way and to what extent the problems are solved depend on the students and reflect the priorities they have set for themselves.

It's much the same every year, with the exception of the new semester calendar which puts the date of the party a few weeks earlier, and the new drinking law which bans alcoholic beverages for persons under 21 years. But a beerless party may turn out to be a blessing, considering the senate is short of cash and beer licenses cost \$130.

In the past, all students, faculty and staff were invited to the Spring Fling but, because beer was sold, minors were not welcomed. This meant that people with children would come without spouses or hire a baby sitter. Or, they could bring their children.

Last year, two ACC students, aware that minors were not allowed into the picnic area, chose to bring their children. They were promptly stopped by students from the law enforcement club at the entrance to Island Park where the Spring Fling picnic was being held. After some disputation and a walkie-talkie exchange, the group was cleared and allowed to proceed.

The children had a marvellous time exploring the island and observing adult party customs of the college variety. The little ones tore up and down the sandy hills, waded in the river, gorged on picnic food and had a fine collection of beer cans by sundown. The older children played a few games but mostly stared gazed in awestruck admiration at cool college students shaving inflated balloons with popsicle sticks.

Since beer is no longer a part of ACC parties, the question of whether or not children of students should

be allowed to attend Spring Fling is no longer valid. However, we feel that a change in policy and what it means should not go unmentioned, especially if the senate and council decide to hold another picnic.

If this is the case, we urge the senate and council to extend a warm welcome to children of students, staff and faculty at ACC. It would be particularly appropriate to do so this year since it is the International Year of the Child.

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In an interview with Stew Olmstead, Alpena Public Schools' director of personnel, CU learned that there are 456 teachers in the Alpena school district; 333 in the K-12 system and at ACC there are 58 full time and 65 part time. These figures include librarians and counselors. Salaries range from \$11,277 for a teacher with a bachelors degree at the public school level to a top salary of \$19,717 for teachers with a masters degree at ACC. The teachers' salaries are only part of the salary budget which is \$10,061,067 for the Alpena Public Schools alone.

People with low or fixed incomes get a property tax break from the government, if the property tax is greater than 3½% of the complete household income. When state income taxes are filed, 60% of the difference between property taxes and 3½% of the income will be reimbursed. "This is particularly beneficial to senior citizens," said a secretary at the Alpena Office of the Department of Treasury Revenue.

Property owners in Alpena and Preque Isle are paying 27.98 mills for the running of the schools plus .48 mills debt. The 7.98 is the limit set by statute. The rest, 20 mills, expires this year and voters must decide whether to vote in 23 or 25 mills for operational costs. This would be an additional 3 or 5 mills.

"If the voters turn down the 23 and the 25 mills, the schools are left with 7.98 mills," says Stan James, director of the County Equalization Department.

If the property assessments are based on half the market value of the home, and the average home is worth \$40,000, the amount paid for increased millage would be an additional \$60 or \$100 annually.

## wafb report

### Iranian oil shortage stuns American

By Jerriane R. Hayslett

Cars, three abreast, stretched for miles waiting for gas. But there was none. The stations were closed.

People with containers of every description lined up for heating fuel. Their wait, too, was futile. Trucks had stopped delivering food to market, garbage piled up at curbside, construction sites fell silent and deserted, city streets were empty.

A scene from a futuristic movie? No. A slice of reality from the immediate past.

These were the streets of Tehran, Iran on January 2, 1979. Little more than a week earlier the traffic hustled, the people bustled and construction sites boomed.

But an order issued by a rather obscure Islamic clergyman in far off Paris, France sent Iran's work force out on strike. The country's economy fell and with it fell the oil levels of its limited oil reserves. Extensive power outages punctuated every night, public transportation came to a halt and by the end of the old year, Tehran was a city out of gas.

Repercussions from Iran's oil strike and the ensuing policies of the new revolutionary government to limit its oil output have been felt around the world.

What does the future hold for a country like the United States which

#### Scholarship for females over 25

It was announced today that female students over the age of 25 may apply for financial aid from the BPW Foundation. The awards range from \$100 to \$1,000 for one year, and may be used for full or part time programs of study.

According to the foundation, the scholarships are designed to assist older women seeking job-related skills and who are within two years of graduation.

Applications are available from The Scholarship Bank, 10100 Santa Monica # 750, Los Angeles, CA. 90067. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

#### ELDERS, continued from page 1

There's no educational prerequisite for any of the 39 weeklong non-credit courses which range from world politics, "hands-on" television production to popular culture.

Participants in last years program remarked that the experience was positive and did much for their self-esteem.

is addicted to the rich black goo? Unless it can break the habit, endure the withdrawal pains and become more self-reliant by developing alternate energy sources, keeping thermostats at 65 and speedometers at 55 mph will seem like utopia.

The experience of living in a foreign country offers many lessons. But for many Americans in Iran the one that really hit home was the need to replace a good slogan "Double Up America" with a more appropriate one "Wake Up America"—and take action!

#### Women health course offered

The Wurtsmith Center of Alpena Community College is offering a one semester hour course on women's health care issues during the spring semester.

The women and health course will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, from 5:30-7 p.m., and is scheduled for May 1 through 31.

The physician-patient relationship, various aspects of gynecology (reproduction, menopause, surgical procedures, and cancer) will be addressed as well as sexual assault and the problem of the male abuser.

The instructor of the course is Jane Roberts, an Air Force nurse, who was the Community's Women's Advocate at her former assignment in Wiesbaden, Germany. Her responsibilities in that position included organizing "a comprehensive women's advocacy program to address the multi-faceted problems women encounter within sexist social institutions—particularly the Health Care system."

Jane Roberts indicated that "I feel a lack of knowledge exists regarding health and 'body' issues. This has far-reaching implications in terms of promoting negative body image...and the notion that women's bodies are for others to do with as they choose."

She adds that "academic courses of this nature can be extremely informative and very strategic to women's freedom to control their lives."

Registration for the class is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, until April, 13, and on April 30 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The course is open to interested women as well as men. For additional information please call 739-1445.



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# sports highlights

## Women's softball team travels to Lansing

By René Johnson

If you've been down to the East Campus gym lately, you will find, that for the first time in history, there is a women's softball team established here at our college.

Practicing from Monday through Friday under their trainer, Athletic Director Dick Miles, the sixteen young ladies will go into their first season game this Friday against the Lansing All-Stars in Lansing. The team will appear in new uniforms, bats and shoes provided by the athletic dept.

If you are interested in seeing these young ladies in action this season and can't get to any of the away games, you can see them play their first home game April 23 against St. Clair College.

Team Members:

Nancy Ciszewski, Mary Ellen Sermack, Sherryl Paquette, Caroline Hieber, Diane Hostetler, Cheryl Middleditch, Shellee Davison, Phyllis Idalski, Jan Kaiser, Denise Erbe, Chriss Craighead, Kini Schwiesow, Terry L. Grant, Beth Buchner, Joette Woloszyk, Eva Brockenbrough.

## Alumni tars B-Street 81-71

By Len Gabrysiak

At the East Campus gym last night, the Alpena Alumni was victorious over the B-Street Five by a score of 81-71 to take the intramural basketball championship.

After a close first half with B-Street in front 40-37, the Alumni used excellent shooting and an effective fast break to pull away in the second half. The Alumni's overall hustle seemed to be the trick as they slowly, but surely gained themselves the lead that they were never to relinquish. Even though the B-Street Five Unit played an excellent game, they weren't able to keep up with the rapid pace of Alpena's attack. Even though both teams never played up to their fullest potential, their style

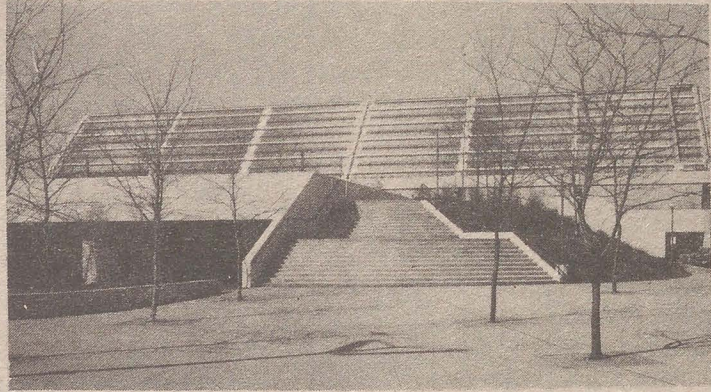
of play capped off an excellent season of basketball.

Now that the season is completed, special thanks should be given to Ben Torsch for the time and effort he put into the intramural season. Special mention goes to the refs for their fine job, to Max Lindsay and Owen Whitkopf and to the players who made the season worth the entire effort.

### Cheerleaders refuse abuse

MADISON, Wis. (On Campus Report)—Verbal and physical abuse directed toward U. of Kansas cheerleaders in the past by U. of Missouri fans caused the group to stay home from a recent game between the two schools, says the KU cheerleaders' coach.


## Class visits solar energy systems



Richard Clute's science in society class ventured on a field trip to Saginaw and Midland yesterday to visit solar energy systems. Pictured standing below are from left to right: Irene Schultz, David Greenfield, R. D. Clute, Scott Coddington, Tom Kraft, Beth Kwiatkowski, Dagmar Sullivan, and Lila Apsey. Kneeling are: Joel MacLeod and Laura Hodgson.

They visited the 50% energy efficient Solar Energy Heating and Cooling System in Saginaw, (pictured above). The group also went to the Chippawa Nature Center in Midland, Michigan where they visited a solar greenhouse.





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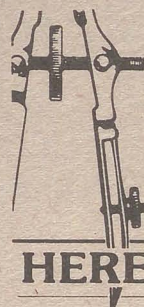
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# WHEELING AND DEALING WITH SAFETY

By Elizabeth Littler

The roads are clear and the weather's warmed up. You promised yourself to make a contribution to energy conservation by riding your bike as much as possible; besides, it's good for your health. Or is it?

Thirty thousand bicyclists are killed or injured annually. And the number increases every year as the roads become more crowded. So, before you leap into the saddle, why not review a few safety measures and rules for bicyclists.

Assuming you purchased a bike that fits you and is not going to break down at the first corner, check to make sure it is equipped for maximum safety with a headlight, taillight or reflector, warning bell, chain guard and functional brakes (coaster brakes for children until their hands get stronger).

Remember: a bicycle is not a toy; it's a vehicle in traffic, governed by laws. Here are a few rules of the road: ride with traffic, keep to the right, use all hand signals, obey

stop and go signals, use caution around parked cars (sailing into an open car door can be devastating), never take on a passenger, obey all local bicycle regulations.

One local regulation in operation is that all bikes in the city be licensed. The cost of the license is 50 cents and is good for the life of the bike. Sargeant Richard Ryther at the Alpena Police Dept. says that a bike owner is rarely ticketed for not having a license unless he attracts attention for other reasons, such as reckless or improper driving.

The real advantage, Ryther says, is that the owner will have his bike registered, and in case of loss or theft is able to identify his recovered bike. The license law applies only to city residents but anyone wanting to register their bike may purchase a license.

Since biking begins at an early age, it is important that children learn rules and skills with their first bike. Children, grades three through six, in the county schools are taught

bicycle safety by Deputy James Marquardt of the Alpena County Sheriff Dept. in an after-school program organized by the 4-H club.

In the two sessions with Marquardt and a mechanic, the children learn the names of the bike parts and how to adjust them. Also basic maintenance, storage, registration and safety checks are covered. Then, it's out to the parking lot to test their riding skills and maneuvers, knowledge of traffic laws and hand signals.

Marquardt is concerned that the program be both interesting and challenging so that the children will continue improving their riding skills.

Bike safety education in the city schools came to an end last year when City Safety Officer Russ Mainville retired and his position was not filled.

An Alpena police officer stated that in accidents involving bicycles and automobiles, the bike drivers

are usually at fault. Because bikers are so vulnerable, (the obvious losers in any bike-car contest) law officers recommend that bikers give way to cars and in some cases get off the bike and become a pedestrian. Of course, it would also help if the motorist realized that the biker has as much right to the road as he has.

So, this spring, before you take off down the road, give these words a little thought. Let's not see any bikers zipping down the sidewalk, sneaking through red lights, weaving in and out of traffic or coming up the wrong side of the road. And motorists, share the road and keep your eyes open.

## movies

By Kyle Harris

**That Obscure Object of Desire** which won The Best Film of the Year for 1977, will be shown April 19 at 7:30 p.m. at NRC 150.

The film is very strange. The plot involves a man in his fifties, who falls madly in love with a woman half his age. The film's weird message is to not have sex with the object of your desire.

The woman is played by two different actresses; one is a sexy lady, the other an innocent lady.

This film stars Fernando Rey, Carole Bouquet, and Angela Molina.

**Cinderella Liberty** will be shown April 23 in NRC 150 at 7:30 p.m.

The film stars James Caan and Marsha Mason (of the **Goodbye Girl** fame).

Mason plays a pool hustler and, among other things, a lady of the evening. Caan plays a sailor on liberty whose navy records get lost. He spends the rest of the film trying to straighten this situation out.

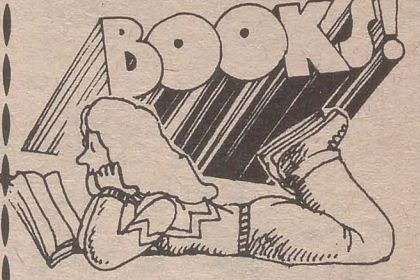
To spice things up, Mason has a very street-wise kid that Caan tries to win over.

It will also be shown in the dorm at 7:00, the night before.

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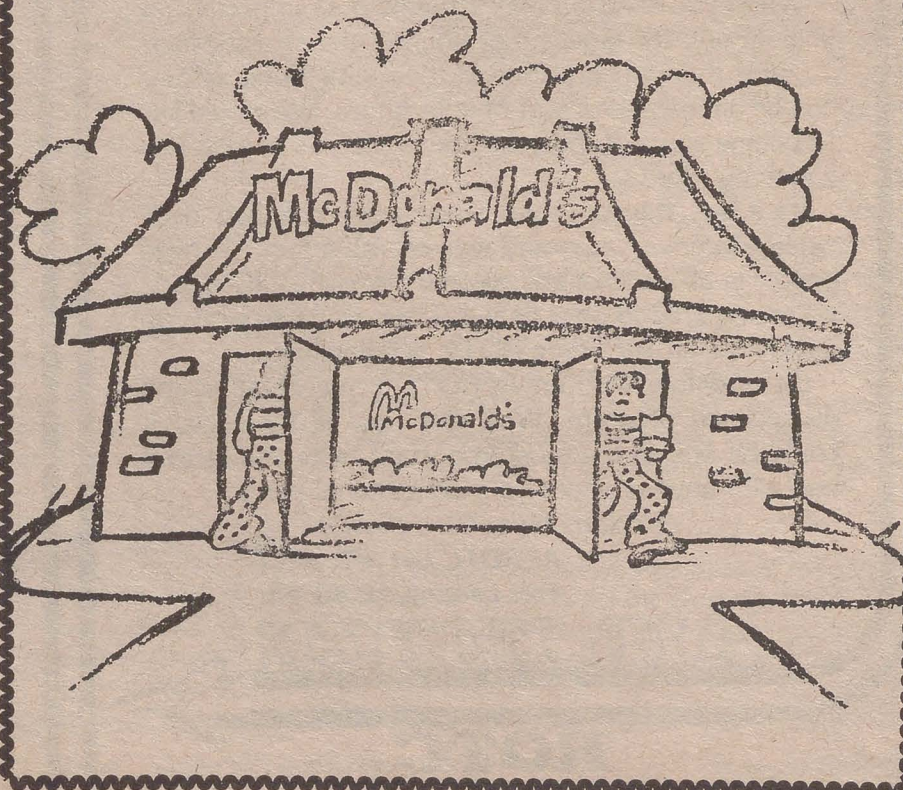
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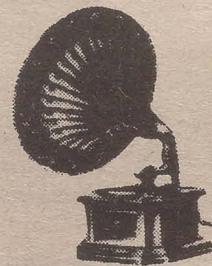


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*According to the ACC handbook, students are to park their bikes in designated areas. But, because of the lingering snow on campus lawns, spring work on the grounds has not started. Once the grounds are taken care of, says Dale Ilsey, director of buildings and grounds, bike racks will be placed near the entrances of all major school buildings except East Campus. As yet, there is no rack available for this building. He anticipates that the racks will be in place by the time school reopens after the Easter vacation*

## record review



### Bighorn releases first album

By Art Ross

Born in the true spirit of the great Northwest, one of the newest groups to hit the circuit, Bighorn, has released their first album entitled, **Bighorn**.

The group shows much promise in the way their music is put together. They are the melting pot of several famous rock bands, all seemingly rolled into one. One cut on the album particularly drew my attention, "A Penny for Your Dreams". The cut to me represented many fine traits of some famous rock bands. For a new and different experience, something sure to surprise you, give **Bighorn** a listen. It could be worth your while.

Next issue we'll look at the new LP from Dire Straits and start our listings on concerts in the near future.